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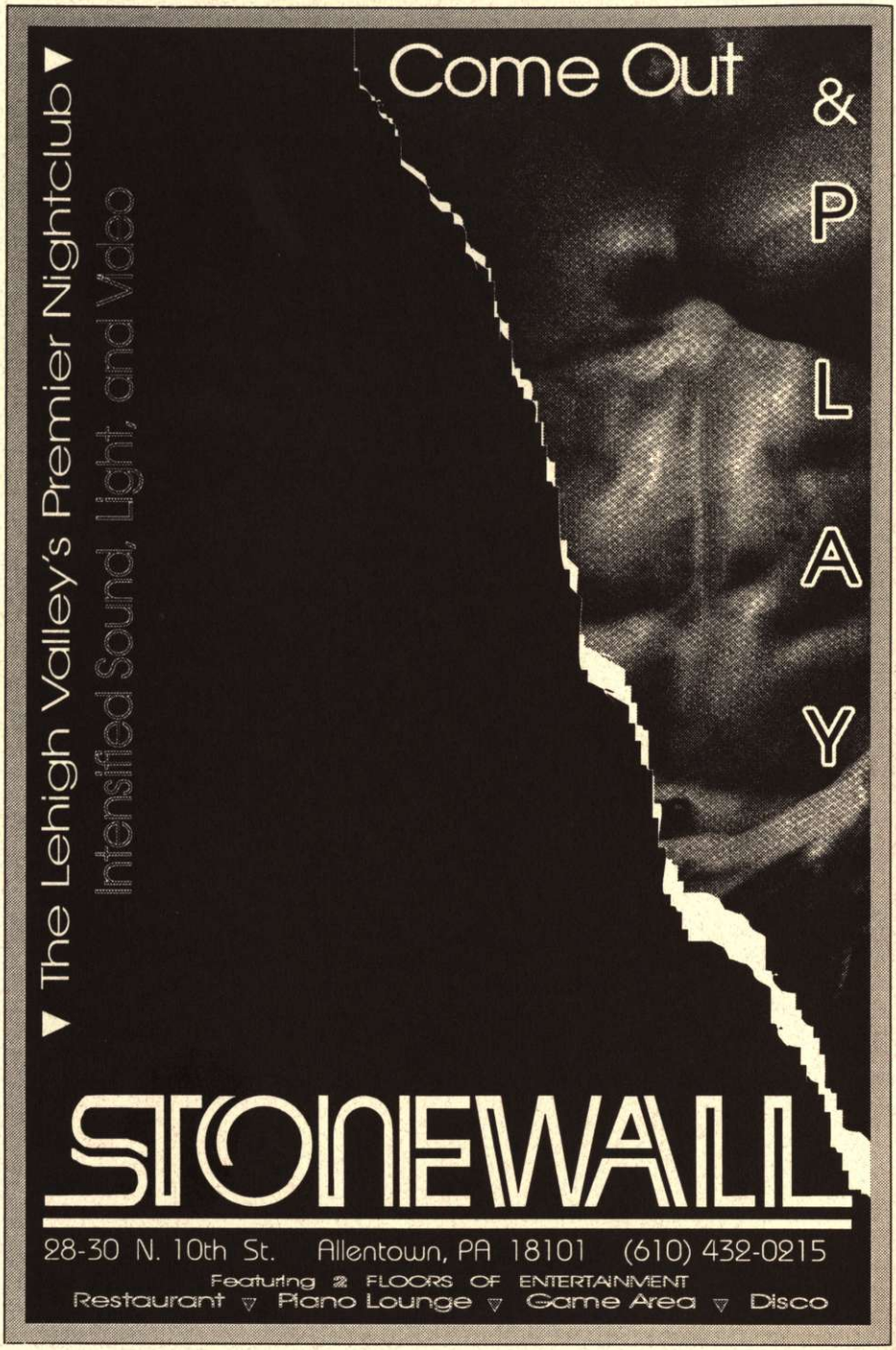
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Take Charge of Your Life

Those who hold elective office have the power to affect your life through legislation. They can pass laws which can help protect you from discrimination and bashing or they can encourage such behavior. They can provide funding for proper health care for HIV+ people and women with breast cancer, or they can make it more difficult to get care and services. They can pass laws which can oppress or protect. What's more, they will definitely be making these types of decisions during their term in office, which may last up to six years after this election. As such, they have considerable potential to affect your life. By voting, you can have a say in who will be making these decisions, and thus influence decisions directly impacting your life as a lesbigay person.

Using this Guide

The Guide is designed to be used either by itself, or in conjunction with information on other issues important to you. It is not a slate, and nothing in this guide constitutes an endorsement. **Both** ratings **and** written summaries must be used together for a clear evaluation of a candidate; they do not stand alone. They show the strengths and weaknesses of various candidates across the spectrum of lesbigay issues. Sometimes, candidates may be equal overall in ratings, but differ on their strengths within the range of lesbigay issues.

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Besides providing information about candidates running for various offices, this guide can also be used to help determine districts where potential candidates supportive of lesbigay civil liberties need to be found and encouraged to run. Indeed, we encourage such use of this information.

Sources of Information

The League of Gay and Lesbian Voters obtains information for this guide from various sources: a questionnaire sent to each candidate; voting records; mass media such as *Out!, PGN, Au Courant, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, the Altoona Mirror, the Erie Times,* newswire services, other organizations such as the Human Rights Campaign Fund, and other miscellaneous sources. Although we do everything we can to ensure the accuracy of all information in the Guide, because of the complex nature of data collection, we cannot assume responsibility for inaccuracies in the information presented in the guide, if any exist.

Subjects Covered

We have covered certain areas of general concern for lesbigay people.

Equality: The area of equality concerns issues of discrimination and protection from discrimination. This includes questions like whether they would hire a qualified, openly lesbigay person or support anti– discrimination legislation.

Violence: This area addresses the problem of hate crimes against lesbigay people... lesbigay bashing. Many points refer to the Hate Crimes Bill, which deals with lesbigay bashing like other hate crimes in PA: by providing enhanced punishment for such crimes. LGLV advocates for this bill.

Couples: Under this subject, issues such as benefits for same–sex couples and recognition of same–sex couples are addressed. This is done primarily with the goal of attaining the legal tools necessary to care for our partners as well as our married heterosexual counterparts can.

Insurance: This involves issues of life and medical insurance discrimination.

Custody: This subject deals with discrimination in child custody, adoption and foster parentage. Often, lesbigay parents face road blocks in attaining custody of their children after a divorce simply because of their sexual orientation. Sexual orientation can also be a road block in the adoption of a child or in becoming a foster parent because of negative stereotypes against lesbigay people.

Education: This topic involves issues of support for lesbigay youth in schools.

AIDS: This topic includes a range of issues dealing with AIDS, including education, treatment and research. Also included are topics such as mandatory HIV testing and associated social policy issues.

QUESTIONNAIRE

The questionnaire sent to each candidate covers a range of issues. Different types of questionnaires are sent depending upon the race. The following is a composite of all the types of questionnaires sent:

1. Should government at any level have the right to regulate private consensual adult sexual behavior?
2. Do you support prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in employment, housing, public accommodations and federal government programs?
3. Would you not appoint an otherwise qualified person to your staff who is openly gay?
4. Would you approve a qualified openly gay person to a governmental position?
5. Do you believe a parent's sexual orientation should be a determining or influencing factor in custody decisions?
6. Do you believe an applicant's sexual orientation should be grounds to deny, or in anyway influence, that person's opportunity to adopt a child or become a foster parent? If yes, please explain your answer.
7. Do you support repealing the ban against lesbian and gay people in the military?
8. Military discharge papers (DD214) for lesbian and gay people indicate the reason for discharge is homosexuality. Do you support removing this notation and any indication of their sexual orientation from DD214s? Do you support retroactively removing this notation from already discharged veterans's DD214s?
9. Sen. Jesse Helms introduced legislation which cuts funding for schools which have programs, whether counseling or academic, which have the purpose or effect of presenting homosexuality in a positive light. Do you agree or disagree with this legislation? Why?
10. Do you support the recognition of marriage, or some legal equivalent (such as domestic partnerships), for same-sex couples?
11. Do you support extending health and welfare benefits to same-sex couples where at least one member of the couple is employed by the state?
12. Harsher sentences are often meted out for crimes motivated by racial and other prejudices. Do you believe crimes motivated by the victim's sexual orientation should likewise be considered an aggravating circumstance in sentencing the offender (for instance, as proposed in SB 1218, the Hate Crimes Bill)?
13. Do you think health or life insurance companies should be allowed to deny insurance or raise rates based upon sexual orientation?
14. Should they offer gay/lesbian couples the opportunity to purchase family health insurance coverage?
15. How much funding would you support overall for AIDS programs in the next fiscal year? Please give dollar amount, and break down this figure into major categories (research, treatment, services, and education), or attach a copy of your budget.
16. What would you change and not change in a) current policies for the care and treatment of People With AIDS (PWAs) (drug approval, home care, medical subsidies, etc.) and b) current policies addressing public and government education on AIDS?
17. Should HIV testing be mandatory? If yes, for whom?
18. Do you support the protecting the confidentiality of a person with regard to their HIV status?
19. Do you support anonymous HIV testing?
20. Please add any other relevant facts or opinions. Include as much information as you like. Please cite relevant legislation, testimony, or activities, if any, with which you have been involved.
21. What message would you like to send the lesbian and gay voters in Pennsylvania?

Legend

✓✓ - Excellent
0, ➡ - Neutral
✖✖ - Poor
✓ - Good

✖ - Unsatisfactory
NB - No Basis for Evaluation
- Democrat
- Republican

P - Patriot
L - Libertarian
I - Independent
- Strong ties to the Radical Right

The League of Gay and Lesbian Voters

This publication is a project of the League and is the eleventh of many voter's guides we will be publishing. It is also the second statewide issue we have published, in two editions. The next will be available prior to the primary election in Spring of 1995. The first was published for the primary election of 1988. It is the result of the hard work of our members, the cooperation of our friends, and the support of our advertisers.

We welcome your comments and questions. Please feel free to contact the League and express your views about the guide.

The League of Gay and Lesbian Voters is a nonpartisan organization concerned with issues of special concern to the lesbigay community in Pennsylvania. Our primary activities involve voter registration and education of voters, legislators and candidates, and legislative advocacy. While we do rate candidates on various issues of concern to the lesbigay community, we do not endorse.

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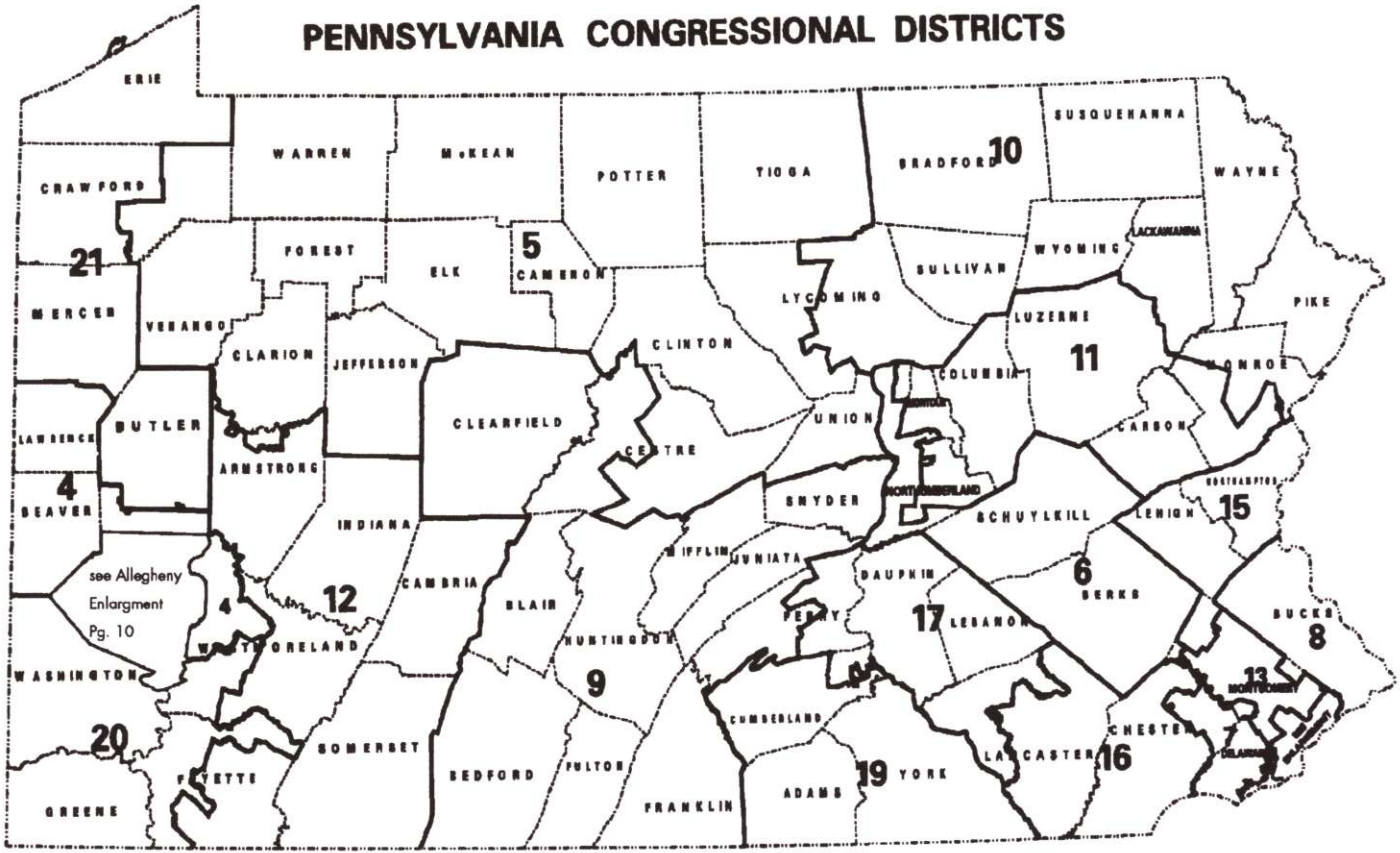

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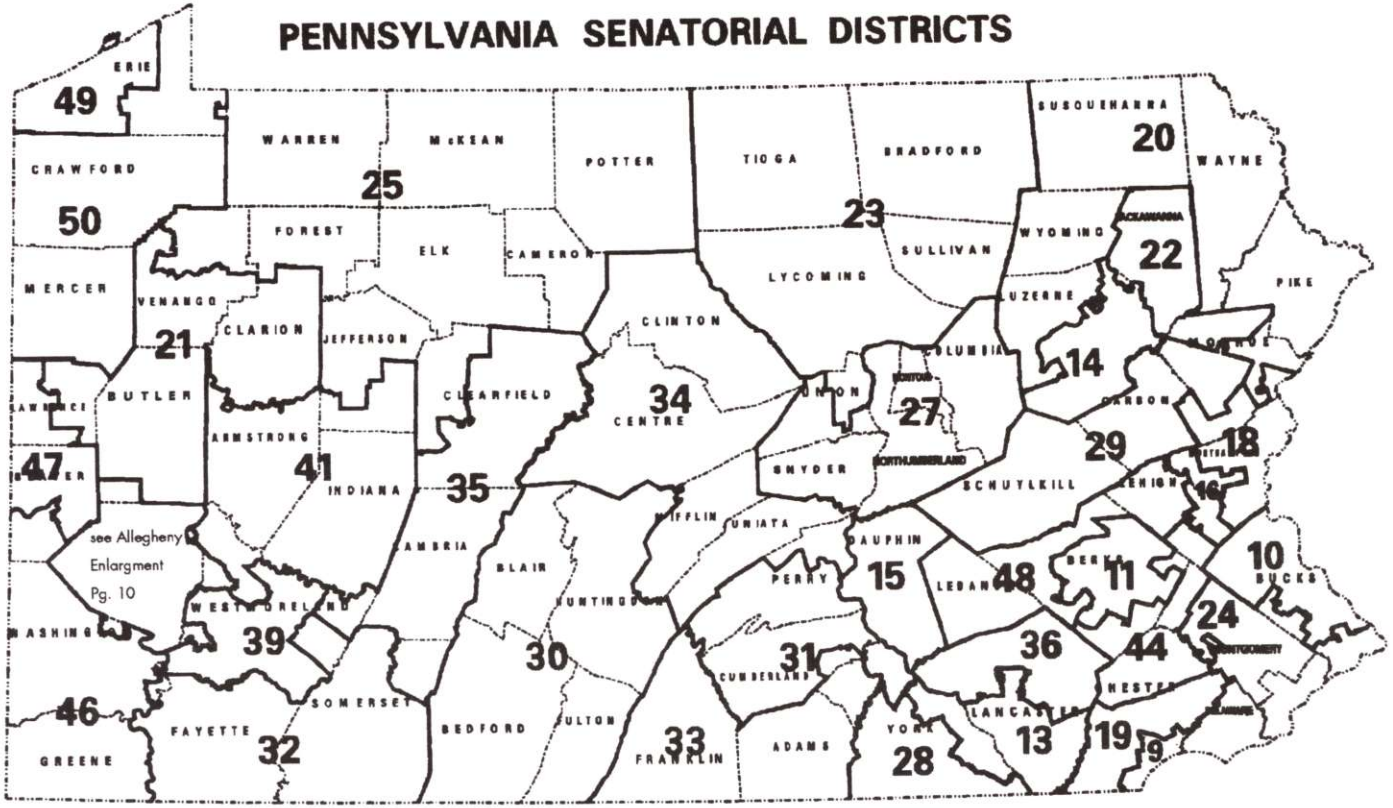

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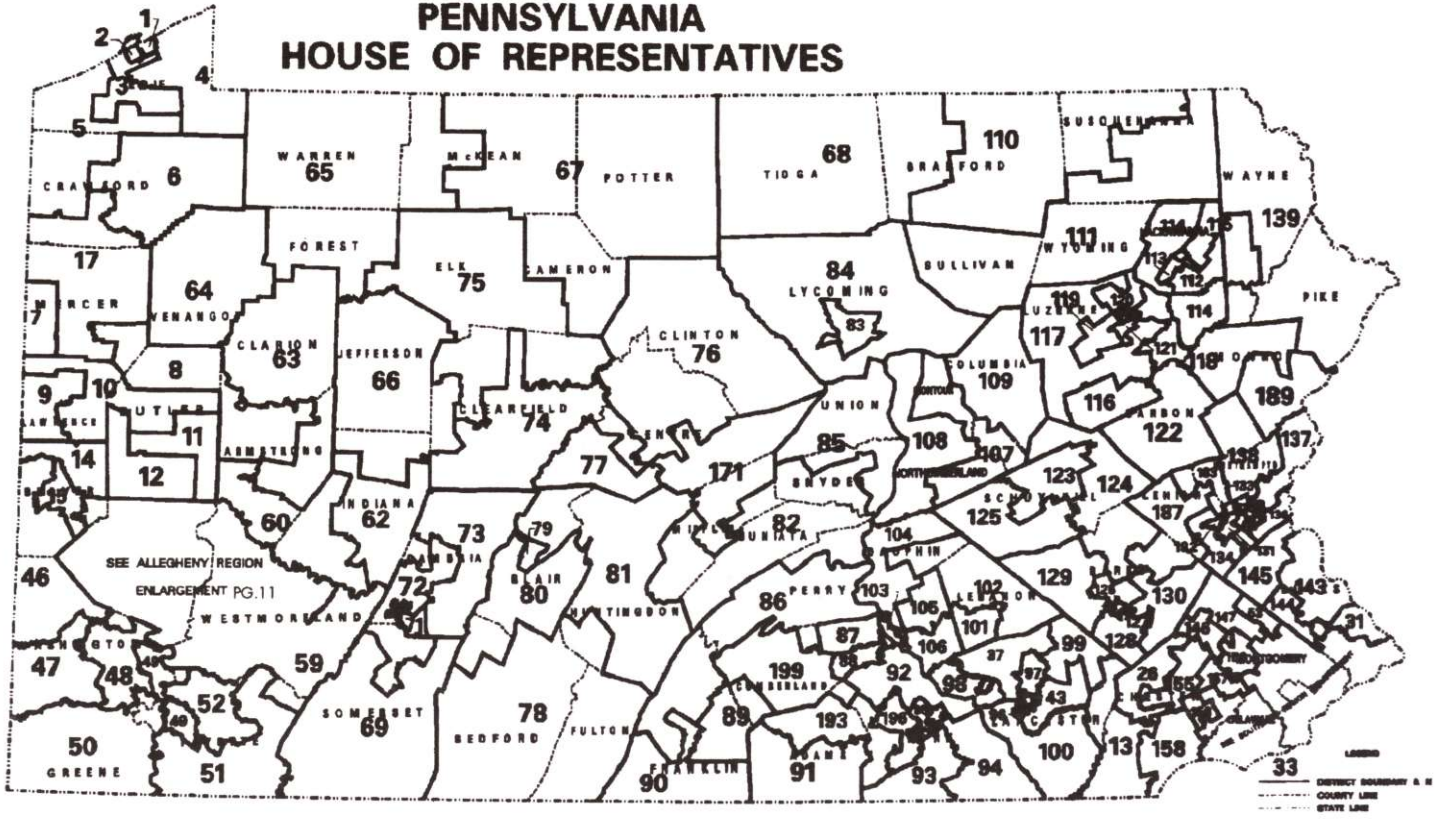

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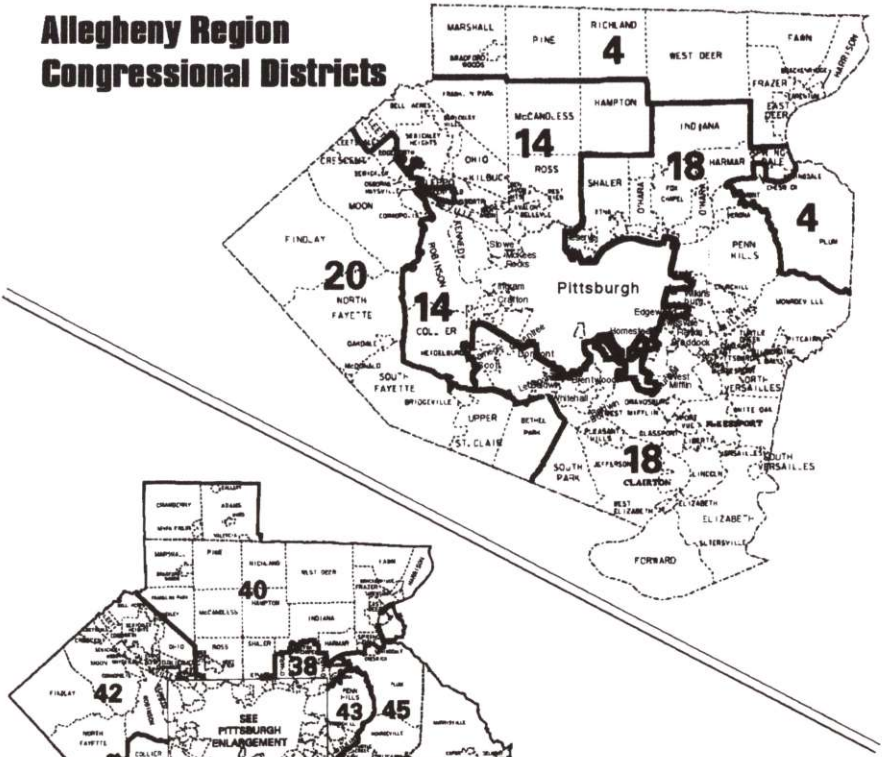

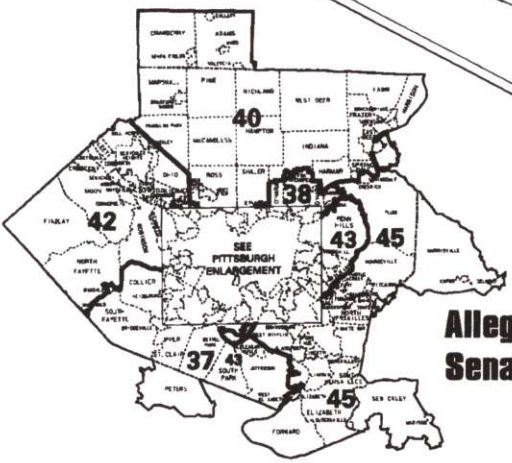

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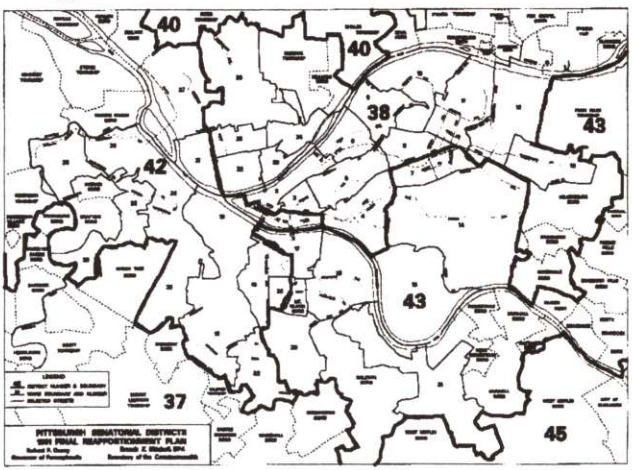

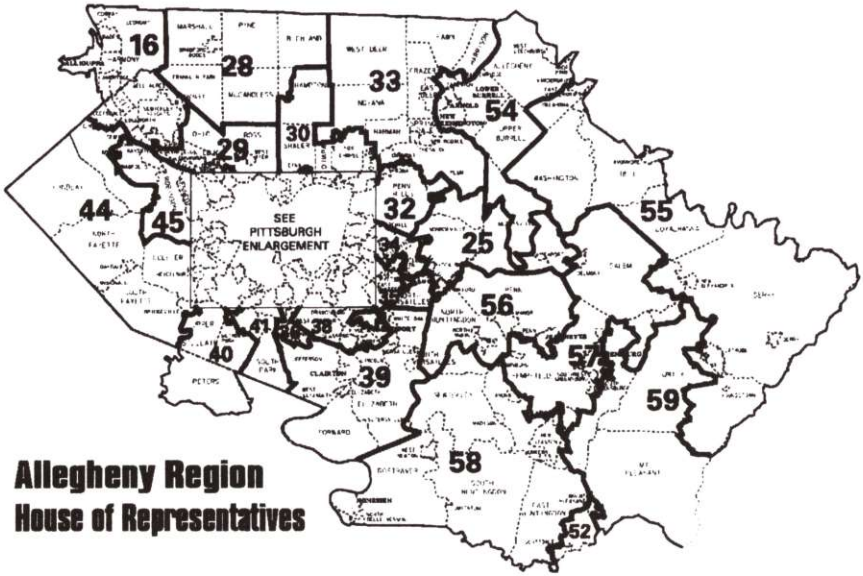

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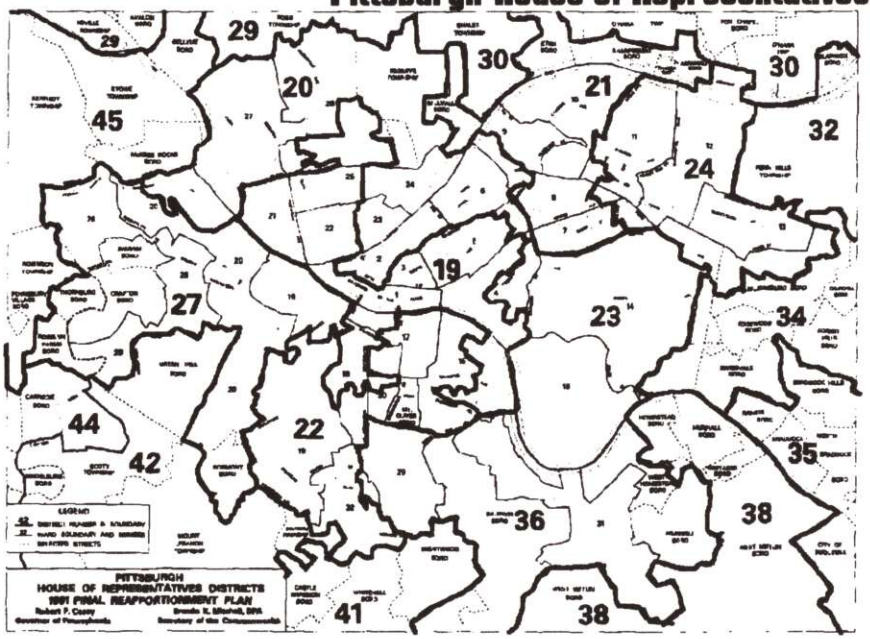
House of Representatives

Pittsburgh House of Representatives



Harris Wofford

✓ Signed a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✓ Opposed the codification of an immigration ban against HIV+ individuals.

✓ Voted to allow Washington DC to implement its domestic partners ordinance.

✓ Has supported legislation to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in healthcare.

✓ Opposed a Helms amendment to prohibit schools from having programs which have "the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative."

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people in the military.

➠ Cosponsored the Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights bill in 1991, but is not a cosponsor of the Employment Non–Discrimination Act, which would ban discriminatuon on the basis of sexual orientation in employment.

Rick Santorum

✓ Signed a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office"

✖ Voted for the codification of an immigration ban against HIV+ individuals, and is actively campaigning on this point.

✖ Opposed the implementation of Washington, DC's domestic partners ordinance.

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people from the military.

✖ Voted to prohibit schools from having programs which have "the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative."

✖ Paid the PA Christian Coalition $1,700 for their mailing list for campaign purposes.

✖ Has spoken to the anti–gay, right–wing Pennsylavnia Family Institute as a guest of honor.

✖ Has developed a significant portion of his volunteer base through the Christian Coalition.

Donald Ernsberger L

✓ Opposes discrimination based on sexual orientation when public funds are used.

✓ Supports recognition of same-sex couples for tax and inheritance purposes, and has worked in favor of allowing DC to implement its domestic partnership laws.

✖ Opposes the Employment Non–Discrimination Act, which would bar discrimination in employment on the basis of sexual orientation, because it "prohibits voluntary control by private employers of their businesses and workforce."

✖ Opposes public healthcare programs.

✖ "I do not support Federal Funding for any scientific or medical research."

➠ Opposes discrimination by the government on the basis of sexual orientation, but is against prohibiting discrimination otherwise.

Diane Blough P

✓ Would cosponsor the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, which bars discrimination in employment on the basis of sexual orientation.

✓ Opposes discrimination based on sexual orientation in housing, public accommodations, Federal government programs, education and healthcare.

✓ "I do believe states must further enact 'anti–hate' criminal statutes and enforce them. We have no room for hate or discrimination on any basis."

✓ "We do not have the right, nor can we afford, to discriminate against any productive person with something to offer the country, irrespective of their personal lifestyle, beliefs, religion, origin, or race."

➠ "I do not favor funding or otherwise promoting alternative lifestyles. Permitting an individual to live as they choose is not the same as conducting educational and promotional programs to encourage an alternative lifestyle. I repeat, sexual preference is a private matter, whether homosexual or heterosexual, and should not be dictated by government"

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Blough	✓✓	✓	✓✓	✓✓	0	0
Ernsberger	0	✓✓	✖	✓✓	0	✖
Santorum	NB	✖✖	NB	✖✖	✖	0
Wofford	NB	✓	NB	✖	✓	✓

Governor

Mark Singel

✓ As Lieutenant Governor, proposed that the state establish a permanent funding source for community–based AIDS service organizations.

✓ Supports adding sexual orientation to the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act.

✓ "We must stop referring to some people with AIDS as 'innocent victims,' implying that others are somehow guilty. We must stop talking about how AIDS is creeping into the 'general population'. Since 1981, persons with HIV infection and AIDS have been in the general population."

✓ Advocates extending bereavement leave to any person "with whom a state employee makes his or her home."

✓ Supports paying insurance premiums for low and moderate income PWAs who have lost their private coverage due to disability, unemployment or inability to pay.

✓ Supported adding sexual orientation to Penn State's nondiscrimination clause as a member of the Board of Trustees.

✓ Has appointed openly lesbigay people to his staff.

✓ "The issues of job discrimination, fairness for domestic partners, health care and hate crimes are too important for elected officials to ignore any longer... I recognize the need for all of us to work together to improve the lives of all Americans, regardless of sexual orientation."

Tom Ridge

✓ Cosponsored the Americans with Disabilities Act, which protected disabled people from discrimination, including people with AIDS.

✓ Supported the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, and supported keeping sexual orientation in the bill.

✓ Voted against automatic discharge for military personnel who are HIV+.

✓ "Crimes motivated by hatred based on race, color, religion, national origin, or sexual orientation are intolerable and should be condemned in the strongest terms... [no group] should be targeted for violence simply because of their status. ..[So] I would support amending Pennsylvania's Hate Crimes Bill to include 'sexual orientation'..."

✓ "As a Member of Congress, I have adopted an anti–discrimination pledge. The sexual orientation of employees in my congressional office is not and never has been a consideration in hiring, promotion, or termination. As governor, I would adopt the same policy for my Administration and would not discriminate in appointments based on an individual's sexual orientation."

✓ "I ... support continued funding for community–based services. I believe the state's role in providing care and treatment to PWAs is best accomplished at the local level with people and organizations that understand local needs and are normally best equipped to arrive at the best solutions."

✖ Supported anti–lesbigay legislation which would have prohibited schools from stating that homosexuality is "normal, natural or healthy."

✖ Supported bills which would have explicitly allowed discrimination against lesbigay people in employment.

✖ "I would not support legislation that would allow same sex couples to adopt or become foster parents."

✖ Voted to allow employers to discriminate against HIV+ food handlers.

✖ Voted against allowing HIV+ individuals from immigrating to the US.

✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people in the military.

✖ Voted to prohibit schools from having programs with "the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative."

Patrick Fallon L

✓ Has clearly spent time reading materials on AIDS. He sent over 100 pages of material to support his unorthodox, though not unheard of, views on AIDS. He appears to care about the subject.

✖ Opposes adding sexual orientation to the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act. "If a private individual or business wants to discriminate, that should be an allowed choice. You can't outlaw stupidity, but it has its own consequences." He indicates that market forces will favor those who do not discriminate.

✖ Believes custody decisions should be made by arbiters or juries with their own standards, which, evidently, may or may not include consideration of a parent's sexual orientation.

✖ Believes entities, including insurance companies and adoption agencies, should be free to discriminate.

➡ Rather than supporting the recognition of same–sex marriage, he "would like to see the state out of the business of recognizing marriages in general."

➡ *Believes AIDS is not caused by HIV, and that the idea that HIV causes AIDS was a political decision rather than a scientific one. He claims evidential support for this belief, and cites numerous scientists who he claims agree with this position, including Dr. Peter Duesberg, who is a leading proponent of this school of thought. This theory has also been promoted in the New York Native lesbigay newspaper. Given this, he proposes cutting "all state funding that promotes AZT and other toxic therapy" and funding research to reconsider the question of whether or not HIV really causes AIDS. Unfortunately, he proposes no programs to help those who are sick with opportunistic infections while the government sponsors research to determine for certain whether HIV actually causes AIDS, which is ultimately why he got an ✖ in the rating table.

Timothy Holloway P

✓ "No one has the right to assault you [lesbigay people] or harm you in any way because of your lifestyle and I would not tolerate hate crimes."

✓ "We must do everything we can to prevent the human suffering and pain that comes from [AIDS]... I pray for and will do everything I can as governor to help the victims of this terrible disease. We must not stand in judgement of those afflicted by this disease, [but] must help them through this terrible time in their lives."

✖ "I will not profess the practice of homosexuality as acceptable nor will I sanction it in any way."

✖ "I believe that being a homosexual is not wrong or sinful. I thank God he never gave me that burden to bear... The PRACTICE of homosexual acts is a sin and is wrong in God's eyes."

✖ "The law... states that you have the liberty and freedom to practice any lifestyle you wish, and I will fully support that right and liberty. With liberty and freedom come responsibility and accountability. If you wish to OPENLY practice this lifestyle then you must accept the responsibility and accountability that comes from that action. Those who find that lifestyle offensive and wrong cannot be expected to sanction [it] or be forced to behave in a manner that makes [it] appear acceptable or good for our society. They also have the liberty and freedom to spend their money as they wish when hiring."

Peg Luksik I

✖ Well–known Pennsylvanian extreme right–wing leader, Luksik is perhaps best known for leading the opposition against Outcome–Based Education (OBE). In particular, opponents (incorrectly) argued that OBE required teaching tolerance of lesbigay people.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Fallon	✖	✖	0	✖	✖	✖*
Holloway	✖✖	✖	✖✖	✓	✖	✓
Luksik	✖✖	✖✖	✖	NB	NB	NB
Ridge	✖	✖	✖	✓✓	✓	✓
Singel	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓✓

US Congress - District 4

Ron Klink

✓ Voted against automatic discharge for military personnel who are HIV+.

✖ Failed to sign a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people from the military.

✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✖ Voted to prohibit schools from having programs with "the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative"

No response or data – : Ed Peglow

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Klink	✖	✖✖	NB	✖✖	✖✖	NB

US Congress - District 5

Bill Clinger /

✓ Signed a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✓ Voted in favor of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which provided protection against discrimination for people with disabilities, including AIDS.

✓ Supported the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, and supported keeping sexual orientation in the bill.

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people from the military.

✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✖ Voted against allowing HIV+ individuals from immigrating to the US.

✖ Voted to prohibit schools from having programs where "the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative"

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Clinger	0	✖✖	✓	✖✖	✖✖	✖

US Congress - District 9

Bud Shuster /

✓ Supported the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, and supported keeping sexual orientation in the bill.

✖ Failed to sign a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✖ Voted against the Americans with Disabilities Act, which provided protection against discrimination for people with disabilities, including AIDS.

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people from the military.

✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✖ Voted against allowing HIV+ individuals from immigrating to the US.

✖ Voted to allow employers to discriminate against HIV+ food handlers.

✖ Voted to automatically discharge HIV+ military personnel.

✖ Voted to prohibit schools from having programs where "the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative"

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Shuster	✖✖	✖✖	✓	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖

US Congress : District 10

Daniel Schreffler

✓ Would cosponsor a bill prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in employment, housing, public accommodations and federal programs.

✓ "It seems that [law] enforcement is lax on those willing to victimize gays."

✓ "The rights of all people must be fought for and protected. That is somewhat a cliché, but very much a part of what I and my campaign are about."

Joseph McDade

✓ Voted against codification of the ban against lesbigay people in the military (though he missed two of three votes on the issue).

✓ Supported the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, and keeping sexual orientation in the bill.

✖ Voted to allow employers to discriminate against HIV+ food handlers.

✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✖ Failed to sign a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✖ Voted to automatically discharge HIV+ military personnel.

✖ Voted to prohibit schools from having programs where "the purpose or effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative"

No response or data – L: Albert Smith

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Schreffler	✓✓	✓	✓	✓	**NB**	**NB**
McDade	✖	✖	✓	✓	✖✖	✖

US Congress - District 12

John Murtha

✓ Supported the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, and keeping sexual orientation in the bill.

✓ Voted in favor of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which provided protection against discrimination for people with disabilities, including AIDS.

✖ Failed to sign a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people from the military.

✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✖ Voted against allowing HIV+ individuals from immigrating to the US.

✖ Voted to allow employers to discriminate against HIV+ food handlers.

Bill Choby

✖ Attended candidate school at the anti–lesbigay, radical right–wing Free Congress Foundation.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Murtha	✖	✖✖	✓	✖✖	✓	✖
Choby	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖

US Congress - District 14

Bill Coyne

✓ Has the most consistently supportive voting record on lesbigay issues in the entire Pennsylvania congressional delegation.

✓ Cosponsor of Employment Non–Discrimination Act.

✓ Voted to allow Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✓ Voted against the ban against lesbigay people in the military.

✓ Voted against the ban on immigration to the US by HIV+ persons.

✓ Supported the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, and supported keeping sexual orientation in the bill.

✓ Voted in favor of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which provided protection against discrimination for people with disabilities, including AIDS.

✓ Signed a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

No data or response – : John Robert Clark; **Worker's League**: Paul Scherrer; **P**: Edward Stewart

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Coyne	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓

US Congress - District 17

George Gekas

✓ Voted in favor of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which provided protection against discrimination for people with disabilities, including AIDS.

✖ Failed to sign a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✖ Voted to allow employers to discriminate against HIV+ food handlers.

✖ Voted against allowing HIV+ individuals from immigrating to the US.

✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people in the military.

✖ Supported anti–lesbigay legislation which would have prohibited schools from stating that homosexuality is "normal, natural or healthy."

✖ Sought, unsuccessfully, to remove sexual orientation from the scope of the Hate Crimes Statistics Act before it passed.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Gekas	✖	✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖

US Congress - District 18

No data or response – : Mike Doyle; : John McCarty

US Congress - District 19

Bill Goodling

✓ Signed a statement circulated by the Human Rights Campaign Fund reading: "The sexual orientation of an individual is not a consideration in the hiring, promoting, or terminating of an employee in my Congressional office."

✓ Supported the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, and keeping sexual orientation in the bill.

✓ Believes FDA drug approval must be streamlined and accelerated.

✓ "Federal health care benefits should not discriminate against home care and outpatient services when proven to be as effective and economical."

➟ Believes greater emphasis should be placed on abstinence as the only completely effective means of avoiding contracting AIDS.

✖ When asked if he would support and actively work for a non-discrimination bill based on sexual orientation, he responded "At this time, I will not support policies which would give any one group unwarranted, preferential treatment over others." He implied current laws "give all citizens equal protection under the law."

✖ Supported anti–lesbigay legislation which would have prohibited schools from stating that homosexuality is "normal, natural or healthy."

✖ Voted for the codification of the ban against lesbigay people in the military.

- ✖ "Service in the military is not a right. The military is not a social or political body, nor is it a place for social experimentation. Individuals sacrifice a great many liberties in the name of discipline, and discipline is essential to an effective military. On this point I cannot be swayed. Quite simply, I have serious reservations about reducing the readiness and effectiveness of our armed forces."
- ✖ Voted against allowing HIV+ individuals from immigrating to the US.
- ✖ Voted against allowing Washington, DC to implement its domestic partnerships ordinance.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
Goodling	✖	✖✖	0	✖✖	✖✖	✖

US Congress - District 20

Mike McCormick

- ✖ Has strong ties to anti–lesbigay, radical right–wing Christian Coalition. Among other things, he has helped them purchase a satellite dish. The Christian Coalition has actively supported McCormick in his bid.
- ✖ The core of McCormick's volunteers are from the Christian Coalition.

No data or response – : Frank Mascara

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
McComick	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖

US Congress - District 21

Phil English

- ✖ Strong ties to the extremne right–wing. Anti–lesbigay activist Phyllis Schaffley has contributed to his campaign through her group, the Eagle Forum.
- ✖ Campaign manager is Jerry Knight, an anti–lesbigay activist who ran unsuccessfully for state representative in Erie in 1992. A central piece of his failed campaign was to attack the lesbigay community and to misrepresent our issues, related legislation, and his opponent. It was perhaps the most hostile campaign against lesbigay people in Pennsylvania's recent history.
- ✖ Attended candidate school at the anti–lesbigay, radical right–wing Free Congress Foundation.

No data or response – : Bill Leavens

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Couples	Violence	Military	Education	AIDS
English	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖

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Pennsylvania Senate - District 30

Robert Jubelirer

✓ Voted for the HIV Confidentiality Act.

No data or response – : Gregory Ned Kough

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Jubelirer	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓

Pennsylvania Senate - District 32

Richard Kasunic

✓ Voted for the Hate Crimes Bill as a member of the PA House of Representatives.

✖ Sponsored legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

No data or response – : Mike Frick

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Kasunic	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓	**NB**	✖

Pennsylvania Senate - District 34

J. Doyle Corman

✓ Voted for the HIV Confidentiality Act.

No data or response – : John Elnitski

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Corman	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓

Pennsylvania Senate - District 38

Leonard Bodack /

✓ Has sponsored and aggressively promoted legislation to increase state funding for AIDS service organizations and other AIDS–related programs.

✓ Intervened on the behalf of the lesbigay community when Travelers bar was violently raided.

✓ Has taken an active role in working for the passage of the PA Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ "I believe the state should strengthen funding for [AIDS]education as well as home and community based service... it is crucial that standard home care practices be provided to everyone, including HIV patients."

✓ "We need a stronger, more comprehensive [AIDS] education program, presented in a more straightforward and honest manner"

Gene Baynes L

✓ "Sexual orientation is a personal, biological, spiritual etc. decision. The government has no place in our bedrooms or our personal family affairs."

✓ "I feel everyone should be punished harshly if their crimes are motivated by prejudices."

✓ "I fully support initiatives that educate, provide research and insure fair and adequate treatment for all individuals."

✓ "I feel we shouldn't ask to be treated fairly. We should demand it. The family comes in many forms of people. If individuals of the same sex choose to make a family, they should have the same rights as any other family."

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Baynes	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓	✓	✓
Bodack	✓	✓	NB	✓✓	✓	✓✓

Pennsylvania Senate - District 40

Drew Ley I

➠ Has in the past indicated a committment to AIDS treatment funding, but has provided no details, and has responded for this election.

No data or response – 🐘: Melissa Hart; 🐴: Elaine Napper

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Ley	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB

Pennsylvania Senate - District 42

Jack Wagner 🐴

✓ Has indicated support of hate crime legislation.

✖ Voted against Pittsburgh's Gay Rights Amendment both times it was before city council, when he was on council.

✖ He also refused to meet with members of the lesbigay community about the Amendment when it was up for consideration.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Wagner	✖✖	NB	✖✖	0	NB	NB

Pennsylvania Senate - District 46

Barry Stout 🐴

✓ Voted for the HIV Confidentiality Act.

No data or response – 🐘: James Benedict

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Stout	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	✓

Pennsylvania Senate - District 50
No data or response – : Robert Robbins

State House - District 1

Linda Bebko-Jones

✓ "Sexual orientation should be included in the PA Human Relations Act."

✓ "A person's ability to care for a child... should not be determined by sexual orientation."

✓ "I would support a marriage equivalent for same sex couples."

✓ "My personal opinion is that both public and government education must be brutally frank about the disease [AIDS] and how it is spread. That means we must talk openly about 'safe' sex and the reality of drug use... Both unsafe sex and drug use are a reality in today's world and we need to deal with that reality. If that means providing free condoms and clean needles then that is what we must do. AIDS is killing our people and we must deal with that reality."

Joe Podolsky

✓ "I in no way support or condone prejudicial behavior by anyone, for any reason."

✖ Would oppose a bill to add sexual orientation to the Human Relations Act.

➠ "I see no need for either straight or gay people to flaunt their sexual orientation. I find both equally distasteful. Sexual orientation... is a private matter and should be kept that way."

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Bebko–Jones	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓
Podolsky	✖	✖	✓	✖✖	✓	NB

State House - District 2

Italo Cappabianca

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill..

✖ "I believe testing should be mandatory for health professionals who perform invasive procedures or assist in those procedures as well as for patients prior to undergoing invasive procedures."

➠ "The major determining factor in custody decisions should be the love and care the parent can provide the child. Sexual orientation should be a lesser consideration."

No data or response – : John Krupar

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Cappabianca	✓	✓	0	✓✓	✓✓	NB

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State House - District 3

Karl Boyes

✓ Although he voted against the Hate Crimes Bill previously, he has since indicated he will support it.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Boyes	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	✖✖

State House - District 4

Tom Scrimenti

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : David Bossart

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Scrimenti	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 5

Jim Merry

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Cynthia Loprersto

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Merry	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 6

Teresa Brown

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

No data or response – : Kerry Corbett

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Brown	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	✖✖

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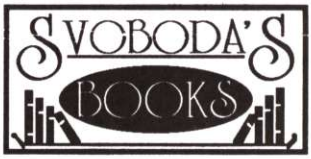

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State House - District 7

Mike Gruitza

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

Gerald Stull I

✖ "...I believe that many of your group sincerely wish to turn back from the direction or path that they have found in life sexually. I certainly do not approve of your sexual activities."

✖ "Christ gives us the means to join the Christian movement and also draws the line behind which the rebellious may stand forever regardless of how many they are, how powerful they may get politically, or how militantly they may swing their vote."

No data or response – : Michael Whalen Pearce

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Gruitza	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	NB
Stull	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 8

Howard Fargo

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill, and actively opposed it by speaking against it during the debate on the House floor.

✖ "I believe it is wrong to do anything legislatively to promote sexual perversion."

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

Barry Crytzer

✓ Supports adding sexual orientation to the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act.

✓ Supports the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Crytzer	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓
Fargo	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	✖✖

State House - District 9

No data or response – : Chris Sainato; : Dale Yoho

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State House - District 10

Frank LaGrotta

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Ed Fosnaught

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
LaGrotta	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 11

No data or response – : Guy Travaglio; : Alan Offstein

State House - District 13

Pat Carone

✓ Have received indications she will support the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Bob Burtt

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Carone	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	NB

State House - District 14

Mike Veon /

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Has supported increased state funding for AIDS programs.

✓ Cosponsored HIV Confidentiality Act.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Veon	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	✓

State House - District 15

Nick Colafella /

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

No data or response – : Gordon Johnston

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Colafella	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	✖✖

State House - District 16

Susan Laughlin

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Has supported increased state funding for AIDS programs.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Laughlin	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓	**NB**	**0**

State House - District 17

David King

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

✖ Spoke on *the Ann Devlin Show,* a radio show on WTAE in Pittsburgh, against the University of Pittsburgh's decision to offer same–sex domestic partnership benefits to its employees.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
King	✖✖	**NB**	✖✖	**NB**	**NB**	✖✖

State House - District 19

Bill Robinson

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Bill.

✖ Supports mandatory HIV testing, but is unclear in which cases.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Robinson	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓✓	**NB**	✖

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State House - District 20

Charles Stutler L

➠ Declined to indicate whether or not he would support adding sexual orientation to the Pennsylavnia Human Relations Act.

No data or response – 🐎: Don Walko

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Stutler	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	0

State House - District 21

Frank Pistella 🐎

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Bill.

✓ Has advised and assisted lesbigay advocates on relevant issues.

✓ Has a long and consistent history of supporting the lesbigay and AIDS concerns in the legislature.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Pistella	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓

State House - District 22

Frank Gigliotti 🐎

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Gigliotti	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	0

State House - District 23

Ivan Itkin 🐎

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Bill.

✓ Has advised and assisted lesbigay advocates on relevant issues.

✓ "I believe gay men and lesbians seeking adoption or custody of a child have the right to be considered on their individual merits and on their potential as parents and caregivers."

✓ Not only supports HIV Confidentiality Act, but would also support efforts to strengthen its enforcement.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Itkin	✓	✓✓	NB	✓✓	✓	✓✓

State House - District 24

Joseph Preston

✓ Introduced the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Bill.

✓ Has advised and assisted lesbigay advocates on relevant issues.

✓ Has actively lobbied colleagues on behalf of the lesbigay community.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Preston	✓	✓	✓	✓✓	✓	✓✓

State House - District 25

Joseph Markosek

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Markosek	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 27

Thomas Petrone

✓ Although he voted against the Hate Crimes Bill, he has since indicated he supports and would vote for it.

✓ Cosponsor of the HIV Confidentiality Act.

No data or response – ☂: John Schnatterly

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Petrone	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	0

State House - District 28

Elaine Farmer

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – P: William Baierl

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Farmer	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	0

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State House - District 29

Dave Mayernik

✓ Although he voted against the Hate Crimes Bill, he has since indicated he supports and would vote for it.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Act.

➡ "It is generally not my policy to answer questionnaires."

No data or response – : Neil Fogarty

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Mayernik	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**✓**	**NB**	**0**

State House - District 30

Jeffrey Habay

✖ Has been identified with the right–wing extremist groups such as the Christian Coalition.

No data or response – : Mark Hannan

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Habay	**✖✖**	**✖✖**	**✖✖**	**✖✖**	**✖✖**	**✖✖**

State House - District 32

Anthony DeLuca

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Introduced legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
DeLuca	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**✖✖**	**NB**	**✖✖**

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State House - District 33

Jeffery Hammer

✓ Supports legal recognition of same–sex couples.

✓ Supports the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ " I earnestly believe it should be our state's and our country's #1 priority to find a cure and vaccination for HIV and AIDS before we embark on any new programs of any sort. You cannot put a price on human life."

✓ "Never let yourself feel, or anyone else make you feel, like a second class citizen in your own community."

No data or response – : Frank Dermody

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Hammer	✓	✓	✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓

State House - District 34

Ron Cowell

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Clyde Wilhelm; **L**: Michael Goldman

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Cowell	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓✓	**NB**	**0**

State House - District 35

Thomas Michlovic

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Act.

✓ Supports legal recognition of same–sex couples.

✓ Has been a leader in the House on providing support and services to people with HIV/AIDS.

✓ Has worked closely with the AIDS Community in Southwestern PA and with the statewide PA Coalition of AIDS Service Organizations to present proposals to shape PA's AIDS policies.

✓ "We've got to make the process easier to get new drugs and prescriptions approved for treatment. Also, we need to make certain allowances for HIV patients, not just AIDS."

✓ "Don't give up trying to achieve your organization's goals."

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Michlovic	✓	✓	✓	✓✓	✓	✓✓

State House - District 38

No data or response – 🐴: Harry Readshaw

State House - District 38

Richard Olasz 🐴

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill

✖ Was observed after the defeat of the Hate Crimes Bill in 1990 prancing around with his legs together and lisping "there's 80 on the loose in here" (there were 80 votes in favor of the bill).

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

Karen Krass 🐎

✓ Supports free HIV testing.

✓ Open to input on AIDS–related policies issues from lesbigay organizations.

✖ Would not support a bill adding sexual orientation to the Human Relations Act.

✖ Feels sexual orientation should be a factor in custody, adoption and foster care decisions: "Organizations like NAMBLA make the entire gay community look like perverts. I know there are gay people that would make good parents, but it's too social unacceptable."

✖ Doesn't support the Hate Crimes Bill.

➡ "While I do not agree with the gay community on all issues, especially where children are concerned, I am concerned about AIDS and health insurance. I am very single, and I see the connecting of these issues."

➡ "Although I may not agree with all of your legislative agenda, I am in tune with many of your problems."

➡ "I am probably more aware of gay issues than my general election opponent. May basic philosophy is: What goes on behind closed doors is nobody's business... NAMBLA is your thorn."

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Olasz	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	NB	✖✖
Krass	✖	✖	✖	✖	✓	0

State House - District 39

Dave Levdansky 🐴

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – 🐎: Paul Calise

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Levdansky	NB	✖	NB	✓✓	NB	✓

State House - District 40

No data or response – : Albert Pettit

State House - District 41

Ralph Kaiser /

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored HIV Confidentiality Act.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Kaiser	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	✓

State House - District 42

Greg Fajt /

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Fajt	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	NB

State House - District 44

Ron Gamble

✖ Voted against and actively opposed the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Has told "gay jokes" at public functions.

✖ Main opponent of Outcome–Based Education (OBE), the debate on which largely centered around the (incorrect) idea that the OBE rules would require teaching tolerance of lesbigay people. Gamble has alined himself with right–wing, anti–gay extremists, and has become their point man in the House.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Gamble	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	NB	✖

State House - District 45

Fred Trello

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Trello	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	✖✖

State House · District 46

Victor Lescovitz

✓ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill, but has since indicated he would support it.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Lescovitz	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	NB

State House · District 47

Leo Trich

✓ Voted in favor the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Sponsored legislation to establish a pilot program to continue health insurance payments for PWAs and HIV+ persons who couldn't afford the premiums.

No data or response – : William Haynes

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Trich	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	✓

State House · District 48

Anthony Colaizzo

✓ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill, but has since indicated he would support it.

✓ Sponsored legislation to establish a pilot program to continue health insurance payments for PWAs and HIV+ persons who couldn't afford the premiums.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

No data or response – : Fred Junko

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Colaizzo	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	✖✖

State House · District 49

Peter Daley

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

Candidate Rating Table						
Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Daley	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	✖✖

State House - District 50

Bill DeWeese

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Supports legal recognition of lesbigay relationships.

✓ Supports adding sexual orientation to the Human Relations Act.

✓ "I support [the] goal to assure that gay and lesbian citizens are treated equally."

No data or response – : Philip Lanzatella

Candidate Rating Table						
Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
DeWeese	✓	✓	✓	✓✓	✓	✓✓

State House - District 51

Larry Roberts

➠ "I do not have any prejudices toward gays or lesbians. However, I do believe that most Americans are prejudiced. Especially in my area, where the typical male/female relationship is normal and considered normal. Anything else here is considered abnormal."

No data or response – : Stephen Swink

Candidate Rating Table						
Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Roberts	0	✓	✖✖	✖	✖	✖

State House - District 52

Bill Glassman

✖ Contributions from two anti-lesbigay politicians strongly tied to the radical right, Sen. Mike Fisher and US Congressional candidate Mike McCormick, raise serious concerns that Glassman is also connected with right–wing extremists.

No data or response – : James Shaner

State House - District 54

Terry Van Horne

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

✓ Cosponsored the HIV Confidentiality Act.

No data or response – : Francis Mangieri

Candidate Rating Table						
Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Van Horne	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	✓

State House - District 55

Joseph Petrarca

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Robert Long

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Petrarca	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	NB

State House - District 56

Allen Kukovich

✓ Cosponsored the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Kukovich	✓	✓	NB	✓✓	NB	✖

State House - District 57

Thomas Tangretti

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Tangretti	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	NB

State House - District 58

Herman Mihalich

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

No data or response – : James Bower

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Mihalich	NB	NB	NB	✓	NB	✖

State House - District 59

Jess Stairs

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Is a donor to Mom's House, radical right–wing leader Peg Luksik's organization.

No data or response – : John Shaw

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Stairs	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 60

Tim Pesci

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : William Wheeler

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Pesci	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓	**NB**	**NB**

State House - District 62

Sara Steelman

➠ Has expressed general supportiveness, but has not made any commitments.

No data or response – : Richard Gallo

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Steelman	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**

State House - District 63

David Wright

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Robert Barrickman; **L**:Vernon Etzel

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Wright	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓	**NB**	**NB**

State House - District 64

No data or response – : Raymond Beichner; : Scott Hutchinson

State House - District 65

Curtis Bowley

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Jim Lynch

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Bowley	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✖✖	**NB**	**NB**

State House - District 66

Sam Smith

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Smith	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✖✖	**NB**	**NB**

State House - District 67

Kenneth Jadlowiec

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Jadlowiec	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 68

No data or response – / : Matthew Baker

State House - District 69

William Lloyd

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Has an hostile attitude when approached by members of the lesbigay community.

No data or response – : Nick Felice

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Lloyd	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 71

John Wozniak

✓ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill, but has since indicated he would support it.

✓ Willing to support same–sex relationship for the purpose of inheritance.

➠ Lesbigay people "should enjoy the same rights and privileges of all citizens. Not more... not less."

No data or response – : Michael Wilson

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Wozniak	NB	NB	NB	✓✓	NB	NB

State House - District 72

Tom Yewcic

✖ Cosponsor of legislation requiring HIV+ physicians and dentists to provide written notice of status to patients and facilities where they are employed.

No data or response – : Jerry Kaharick

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Yewcic	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	✖

State House - District 73

No data or response – 🐴: Gary Haluska; 🐘: Vince Golden

State House - District 74

Camille George 🐴 / 🐘

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
George	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 75

Dan Surra 🐴

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non-consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

David P. Meier 🐘

✖ On AIDS: "If people practiced abstinence until marriage and returned to the family values that made this country great we would not have this widespread problem."

✖ "The parent(s) should have morals, values that are in accordance with my Catholic upbringing. This gay and lesbian lifestyle is not an acceptable setting for children to be raised in."

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Meier	✖✖	✖✖	✖✖	NB	0	✖✖
Surra	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	✖✖

State House - District 76

No data or response – 🐴: Mike Hanna; 🐘: Daniel Harger

State House - District 77

Mary Watson 🐴

✓ Involved with bringing the AIDS Quilt to Centre County.

✓ "I support the Affidavit of Domestic Partnership used by the University of Iowa. An ordinance of this type is needed in Pennsylvania."

✓ "I support making sexual orientation part of the Bias [or Hate] Crimes Bill."

Lynn Herman 🐘

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Herman	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB
Watson	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓

State House - District 78

Dick Hess

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Robert Daugherty

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Hess	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 79

Richard Geist /

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Geist	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 80

Jerry Stern

✖ As Prothonotary, refused to file a cohabitation agreement and Statement of Marriage to a same–sex couple.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Stern	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB	✖✖

State House - District 81

No data or response – : Larry Sather

State House - District 82

Daniel Clark

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Clark	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	NB

State House - District 83

Thomas Dempsey

- ✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.
- ✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

No data or response – : Dorothy Adams

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Dempsey	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**✖✖**	**NB**	**✖✖**

State House - District 84

Brett Feese

- ✖ On whether sexual orientation should be a factor in child custody decisions: "Sexual orientation should be a factor which the court is entitled to consider."

No data or response – : Richard Sheddy

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Feese	**✖✖**	**✖✖**	**✖✖**	**0**	**0**	**0**

State House - District 85

Russ Fairchild

- ✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.
- ✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Fairchild	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**✖✖**	**NB**	**✖✖**

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State House - District 86

Allan Egolf

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Egolf	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	✖✖

State House – District 87

No data or response – : Patricia Vance

State House - District 88

Jerry Nailor

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Nailor	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	✖✖

State House - District 89

Jeffrey Coy

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove many safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status and requirements for consent before testing.

No data or response – : Timothy Bittle

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Coy	NB	NB	NB	✖✖	NB	✖✖

State House - District 90

Patrick Fleagle

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill.

Judith Zafft

✓ "Sexul orientation is not a basis for appointment– qualifications and skills are. Therefore, I would be comfortable working with or appointing gay or lesbian people".

✓ Supports providing homecare for PWAs and allowing PWAs who do not have private insurance to be eligible for medicare.

✓ Addressed the September 1994 AIDS Foundation Fundraiser at Wilson College, publically supporting their efforts.

✓ "My opponent... is supported by the far right Christian Coalition. On November 3rd, there is a public forum for Zafft vs. Fleagle in Greencastle. I want [lesbigay people] to come out and support me and... get the candidates to express their views on some of these critical issues about AIDS and HIV."

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Fleagle	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	**✖✖**	**NB**	**NB**
Zafft	✓✓	✓	✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓

State House - District 91

No data or response – : Thomas Weaver; : Stephen Maitland

State House - District 171

Ruth Rudy

✓ Voted in favor of the Hate Crimes Bill.

No data or response – : Randy Conklin

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
Rudy	**NB**	**NB**	**NB**	✓	**NB**	**NB**

State House- District 193

No data or response – : Steven Nickol

State House - District 199

Al Masland

✖ Voted against the Hate Crimes Bill in a Judiciary subcommittee.

✖ Cosponsor of legislation which would repeal essentially all significant portions of the HIV Confidentiality Law. The effect would be to allow non–consensual HIV testing with little justification, institute contact tracing and name reporting, make it easier to get a court order to perform and disclose the results of an HIV test, and to remove most safeguards to the confidentiality of a person's HIV status.

✖ Is circulating among subcommittee members an article which suggests taking a "Tolerance and Containment" policy towards lesbigay people. It suggests outlawing sodomy except between "true homosexuals," among other unusual notions, and is generally against laws protecting lesbigay people's rights, or even granting equal rights. Its goal seems to be to allow "true homosexuals" to

engage in sexual relations, but to "contain" the activity so it doesn't spread into society at large. It also aims to make certain government can nevertheless be certain to convey belief that homosexuality is inferior, or just not a good thing.

➠ Masland complained to LGLV that this profile of him was unfair after a constituent sent a copy of it from the Primary Guide along with some angry comments. However, after re–analyzing the HIV–related bills and rereading the "Tolerance and Containment", we stand by our assessment. Masland does correctly suggest that the purpose of the article– to find a compromise between right–wing activists behind anti–lesbigay initiatives like those in Oregon and Idaho and lesbigay rights activists– is not included in the summary. However, the suggestions are exactly as stated in the summary, and just as offensive... and frightening... regardless of the tone in which the article was written.

Candidate Rating Table

Name	Equality	Custody	Couples	Violence	Insurance	AIDS
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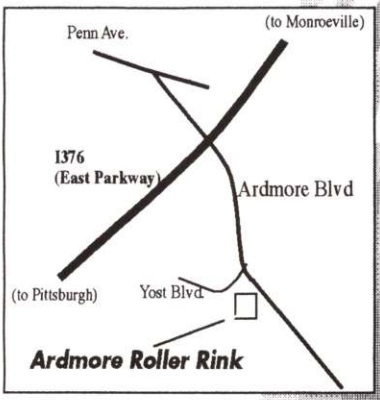

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